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SUBJECT: F&A COMMISSION COMPLETES ACTION ON AGENDA ITEMS 3.3.2,
4.5.4, AND 7.5

REF: (A) STATE 179594; (B) STATE 182888

1. 93RD EXBD' S FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE COMMISSION SITTING
SEPT 20-21 UNDER CHAIRMANSHIP OF WYNTER (JAMAICA), COMPLETED
ACTION ON AGENDA ITEMS 3.3.2 (COMMUNICATIONS IN UN SYSTEM);
4.5.4 (SAFEGUARDING WORLD CULTURAL AND NATURAL HERITAGE);
AND 7.5 (STAFF SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES). COMMISSION FINISHED
PRELIMINARY DEBATE ON ITEM 7.1 (MANAGEMENT SERVICES BUT WILL
CONSIDER DR TABLED SEPT 21 BY UK AT NEXT SESSION SCHEDULED FOR
AFTERNOON OF SEPT 25.

2. ACTION COMPLETED ON THREE ITEMS FOLLOWS:

(A) ITEM 3.3.2 (COMMUNICATIONS IN UN SYSTEM): COMMISSION UNA-
NIMOUSLY APPROVED DR SUBMITTED BY ITS CHAIRMAN ON SEPT 20 WHICH
NOTED WITH SATISFACTION MEASURES TAKEN BY DG FOR IMPLEMENTATION
OF RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED IN UNJIU INSPECTOR MACY' S REPORT
(JIU/REP/UW/2). DURING DEBATE MEMBERS OF COMMISSION QUESTIONED
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UNESCO ABOUT COSTS OF ITS COMMUNICATIONS AND FOUND THAT THIS

AREA NOT ONE IN WHICH UNESCO COULD EASILY ECONOMIZE IN COURSE OF BALANCE OF BIENNIUM AS UNESCO CURRENTLY RUNNING SLIGHT DEFICIT AGAINST WORK PLAN CALCULATIONS AND ECONOMIES WILL HAVE TO BE FOUND JUST TO LIVE WITHIN PRESENT ALLOCATION FOR CY 1974. DG' S REPRESENTATIVES INDICATED VARIOUS CONTROLS EXERTED WITHIN ORGANIZATION REFERENCE USE OF TELEPHONE, TELEGRAMS, UNESCOGRAMS, ETC. COMMISSION CONVINCED UNESCO DOING REASONABLE JOB, ALTHOUGH TELEPHONE, TELEGRAM COSTS MOST LIKELY SUBJECT OF FURTHER RESTRICTIVE CONTROLS AND HENCE ECONOMIES IN VIEW OF SECRETARIAT. US REP IN INTERVENTION PRESENTED ALL POINTS CONTAINED IN POSITION PAPER 93 USEX/3.3.2.

(B) ITEM R.5.4 (SAFEGUARD WORLD CULTURAL AND NATURAL HERITAGE): COMMISSION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED DR CONTAINED IN PARA 4 OF 93 EX/20.

(C) ITEM 7.5 (STAFF SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES): ALTHOUGH COMMISSION PASSED NO RESOLUTION ON SUBJECT, US AND OTHER MEMBERS SPEAKING ON SUBJECT AGREED WITH DG' S CONCLUSION THAT DECISION 8.8.2 OF 89TH EXBD RE STAFF SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES SHOULD STAND UNCHANGED AND AGREED TO WAIT UNTIL 94TH EXBD FOR FURTHER REPORT ON NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN RESPECT TO INDICES OF WAGE RATES IN FRANCE. US REP UTILIZED GUIDANCE CONTAINED IN REFTELS IN INTERVENTION. IRWIN

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